

Lee Pope Deputy Open Records Counsel

Lee Pope is the Deputy Open Records Counsel in the Tennessee Comptroller's Office of Open Records Counsel. Lee provides guidance and advice to Tennessee citizens and public officials regarding Tennessee's open meetings and open records laws. Additionally, he promotes awareness of Tennessee's public records and open meeting laws, issues advisory opinions, and mediates open records disputes.

Lee joined the Comptroller's Office after serving as Assistant Director and General Counsel for the Tennessee Emergency Communications Board. He has also worked as an Assistant Attorney General in the Tennessee Attorney General's Office. Prior



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Lee is a graduate of the University of Tennessee in Knoxville. He received his law degree from Cleveland State University's Cleveland-Marshall College of Law. Lee is currently a candidate for a Masters of Business Administration at Tennessee Technological University.

Lee is certified as a Rule 31 mediator and is a member of the Tennessee and Nashville Bar Associations. He volunteers his time with several groups including Second Harvest Food Bank and Big Brothers Big Sisters of Middle Tennessee.

In his spare time, Lee enjoys running, hiking, and fostering rescue dogs. He attends First Presbyterian Church in Nashville.